

LSUHSC Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes

Tuesday – March 13th, 2012

Administration Building

Chancellor's Conference Room, 8th Floor

3:30pm

President Levitzky called the meeting to order at 3:35 pm

Quorum verified.

Those present included:

Allied Health – Erin Dugan, Rennie Jacobs, Theresa Nicholls and Scott Rubin

Dentistry – Suzanne Farrar

Graduate Studies – Suresh Alahari

Library – Rebecca Bealer

Medicine – Jerome Breslin, Costa Dimitriades, Lee Engel, Kyle Happel, M. Levitzky, and Joy Sturtevant

Nursing – Marjorie Kraus, Todd Tartavouille, and Gwendolyn Stewart-Woods

Public Health – Dan Harrington and Neal Simonsen

Ex Officio – Jennifer Lloyd

Those absent included:

Allied Health – Jerald James

Dentistry – S. Brisco, Tom Lallier, and Elizabeth Strother

Graduate Studies – Ted Weyand

Library – n/a

Medicine – Stephen Brierre and Erich Richter

Nursing – Leanne Fowler and Randy Rosamond

Public Health – Zhide Fang, Joseph Hagan (excused), and Xiao-Cheng Wu

Ex Officio – Dennis Paul

I. Guests – Sandra Andrieu and Robin English, Interprofessional Education

Given common themes like access to care that cut across professional lines, recognition of the importance of interprofessional collaborative practice to optimize patient care is increasing. Interprofessional Education (IPE) is key to facilitating this approach. Efforts to create a program here led to creation of a formal LSUHSC Committee on Interprofessional Education in 2010 chaired by Dr. Andrieu, with Vice Chancellor Moerschbaecher's support. The Committee contains representatives from all of the schools within the HSC except Graduate Studies at present. Core competencies for IPE have been formulated, built around the key domains of values and ethics, roles and responsibilities, communication, and teamwork. The first IPE course has been developed; it will be open to enrollment by students in all schools and will feature case-based discussions designed to elicit and synthesize the perspectives of interprofessional teams. Robin English described the Teaching Academy's interest in IPE, which has led to the offering of a symposium this spring devoted to that topic. Didactic components will be followed by small group workshops focused on specific settings and how to introduce TPE into them.

II. Approval of February 2012 Minutes – unanimous

III. President's Report

1. IT – There is ongoing communication with Bettina Owens; a revised draft on the social networking policy is being circulated; a very good relationship is being created.
2. Vice Chancellor of Finance and Administration – Several candidates have been interviewed but there have been no announcements to date
3. Mandatory Compliance training – a new statewide initiative to have all state employees trained on an ethics module is underway

IV. Council of Faculty Advisors (COFA) and Board of Supervisors (BOS) – no report

V. Old Business

1. Budget update – Chris Vidrine was not available today due to the concurrent start of the state legislative session; the LSU main campus in Baton Rouge has created a Budget Crisis Taskforce
2. Clery Act – no new information
3. ADA Compliance Update –Levitzky reiterated that if an individual school may contact him in the case of an issue regarding ADA compliance not able to be solved at the level of that school's student affairs office

VI. New Business –

1. Faculty Senate Elections – Senator Simonsen reminded senators to bring nominations for senate offices to the next senate meeting.
2. Smoking Ban – Senator Rubin expressed concern that undue hardships have been created as a result of the newly implemented smoking ban for faculty, staff, and students who do continue to smoke. Without designated areas for smoking on campus, some are seeking alternative locations just off campus which may put them at risk for harm. He suggested designating specific locations on campus for smoking. Several other senators echoed Senator Rubin's concern and suggestion.
3. Restroom supplies – Senator Sturtevant noted that there has been a recurrent problem of unavailable toilet paper in various women's bathrooms on campus; to date, appropriate work requests to Property and Facilities have not resulted in improvement of the situation.

VII. Reports

1. Faculty Senate Committees

- i. **Education Committee** – A special edition of "The Pulse" dedicated to ongoing community service projects by involving LSUHSC employees has been given to Dr Letourneau's office for distribution
- ii. **Committee Coordinating Committee** – No report
- iii. **Constitution, Bylaws, Resolutions, Nominations, and Elections** – Reminded senators regarding upcoming elections
- iv. **Information Technology** – See President's Report
- v. **Facilities Safety and Security** – No report
- vi. **Professional Rights, Responsibilities, and Faculty Welfare** – No report
- vii. **Research** – No report

2. Faculty Assemblies

- i. **Allied Health** – Family Day scheduled for June 9th and Research Day scheduled for April 5th from 12:00 until 5:00pm

- ii. **Dentistry** – Faculty Development Day scheduled for March 20th; Faculty Assembly meeting scheduled for March 14th
- iii. **Graduate Studies** – No report
- iv. **Library** – No report
- v. **Medicine** – SOM FA met: Kathy Fontenot addressed the body regarding HealthCare Network concerns/issues; there were discussions/updates regarding the Faculty Awards process, compliance with the Clery Act, and the upcoming Match Day
- vi. **Nursing** – Family Day scheduled for March 24th; work on the 2nd floor of the Allied Health building is slated to restart
- vii. **Public Health** – Guidelines on the MPH program are being finalized

Motion to adjourn meeting approved at 4:44pm

Submitted by: C Dimitriades, MD
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